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Sir:

The undersigned attorney hereby respectfully requests a personal interview with the Primary and Supervisory Examiners for the above-identified application. Applicant understands that one interview after final rejection is normally permitted. (MPEP 713.09.) In this connection, an Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form (PTOL-413A) is also being submitted herewith.

While it is tentatively proposed that the interview time and date be 2:00 P.M. on January 17, 2007, the Primary and Supervisory Examiners are invited to call the undersigned attorney to indicate the most convenient time and date for the personal interview. It is respectfully proposed that the patentability of the pending claims over the prior art cited by the Primary Examiner in his September 11, 2006 Final Office Action be discussed during the proposed personal interview. In particular, we will

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present arguments as to why none of the prior art relied upon by the Primary Examiner shows the critical features of the claimed invention, including the prestressing of a foam glass tile and the claimed ranges of the prestress compression and compression strength.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with this Communication. However, should any fees be required, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

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Tentative Participants: (I) Charles Macedo, Esq. (2) Pedro M. Buarque de Macedo (Applic	ant:
(3) Jung Hahm, Esq. (4) Patricia Engle (Supervisory Examin	er)
Proposed Date of Interview: 01/17/2007 Proposed Time: 2 (AM/PM	D
Type of Interview Requested: (1) Telephonic (2) x Personal (3) Video Conference	•
Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: YES	
Issues To Be Discussed	
Issues Claims/ Discussed Agreed Not Ag	reed
(Rej., Obj., etc) Fig. #s Prior	
(1) Rej. All pending U.S. Patent Nos [] [] Claims 4,324,037	
(2) 3.292.316 [1] [1]	
(3)	
1.056.184	
Continuation Sheet Attached	
3,592,619 2,758,937 3,430,397 Brief Description of Arguments to be F dented:	
None of the prior art religd upon by the Examiner shows the	
claimed invention, including the prestressing of a foam glass	5
tile and the claimed ranges of the prestress compression and	_
compression strength. An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview	- w
(see MPEP § 713.01).	İ
This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b	,, [
as soon as possible. Applicant'Applicant's Representative Signature Examiner/SPE Signature	"
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